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# Thank You for Supporting the S.C. Department of Archives and History

Our heartfelt thanks for the many expressions of support for the programs and services of the S.C. Department of Archives and History this week as state legislators considered the Governor's vetoes to the agency budget. Please thank your elected representatives for their support during these very tough times. A recap:

Veto 29: \$635,445 in operating expenses – veto overridden by House and Senate Veto 30: \$145,500 for the Old Exchange Commission – veto sustained by the House (which meant the Senate didn't consider)

Veto 104: \$200,000 in stimulus funds -veto sustained by the House

House of Representatives web page <a href="http://www.scstatehouse.gov/html-pages/house2.html">http://www.scstatehouse.gov/html-pages/house2.html</a>

Senate web page <a href="http://www.scstatehouse.gov/html-pages/senate2.html">http://www.scstatehouse.gov/html-pages/senate2.html</a>

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#### **Diversity Forum June 27, 2010 in Charleston**

The SC African American Heritage Commission and the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission will present "A Dialogue on Diversity", a pre-conference session of the International Heritage Development Conference in Charleston. The forum will be June 27<sup>th</sup> from 2 – 5 p.m. at Charleston Place, 205 Meeting Street. It will address ideas on better diversifying the preservation, conservation and tourism industries. Panelists and audience members will engage in an in-depth discussion on how communities, industry leaders and government can work collaboratively to create a national diversity agenda. Panelists include Michael Allen, National Park Service; Morenga Hunt, arts consultant; Tina Naremore Jones, Black Belt Heritage Area, AL; Leon Love, SC African American Heritage Commission; and Emory Campbell, Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Commission. The session is free but reservations are requested. Please register by June 22: call 843-917-3350 or email scaaheritagefound@gmail.com.

# America's Great Outdoors Initiative Listening Session Planned for June 28 in Charleston

On April 16, the President announced the America's Great Outdoors (AGO) Initiative, a multi-state agency effort to enhance conservation. More information on the initiative is at <a href="http://www.doi.gov/americasgreatoutdoors/">http://www.doi.gov/americasgreatoutdoors/</a>. A listening session is being planned for June 28<sup>th</sup> in Charleston. Check the website above for more details as to time and place. You can also contribute ideas and voice support for historic preservation as part of the initiative at an online site hosted by the US Department of Agriculture <a href="http://ideas.usda.gov/ago/ideas.nsf/">http://ideas.usda.gov/ago/ideas.nsf/</a>. The website requires registration which is free and simple. Once you register, you can do a search for "Historic Preservation". Fully funding the Historic Preservation Fund has become the top vote-getter on the site.

### **Newest National Register of Historic Places Listings**

The **Manning Commercial Historic District** was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on May 28, 2010. It is significant architecturally as an intact collection of buildings associated with the governmental and commercial growth and development of Manning as the county seat for Clarendon County from ca. 1890 to 1958. It is architecturally significant as an example of the commercial development and evolution of a small southern agricultural center during the first half of the twentieth century. To learn more go to

http://www.nationalregister.sc.gov/clarendon/S10817714008/index.htm.

**Lydia Plantation**, located in Lydia in Darlington County was also listed in the National Register on May 28, 2010. Lydia Plantation is significant as an intact architectural collection of mid-nineteenth and early twentieth century historic farmstead resources that reflect the succession of occupants' collective influence on the cultural, social, and economic growth of the Pee Dee region. The main residence is an excellent example of

Neo-Classical residential architecture in the Pee Dee, and is representative of the work of distinguished Columbia architect Charles Coker Wilson and his firm of Wilson, Sompayrac & Urquhart. The property also contains a unique ca. 1850 sixteen-sided frame medical office, two ca. 1850 octagonal frame outbuildings, a ca. 1850 side-gabled frame outbuilding, three late nineteenth century agricultural outbuildings, a frame farm office, store, pump house, storage building, and night watchman's house. To learn more go to

http://www.nationalregister.sc.gov/darlington/S10817716052/index.htm.

## State Board of Review to Meet July 23

The South Carolina State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places will meet on Friday, July 23 at 10:30 a.m. at the Archives and History Center. The Board will consider the following nominations to the National Register:

- Upper Long Cane Cemetery, Abbeville County
- Charleston Naval Hospital Historic District, North Charleston, Charleston County
- McDowell House, Fountain Inn, Greenville County
- Welborn House, Fountain Inn, Greenville County
- Cedar Grove Lutheran Church, Leesville, Lexington County
- Tamassee D.A.R. School, Tamassee, Oconee County

The public is welcome to attend the meeting. For more information, contact Andy Chandler at chandler@scdah.state.sc.us or 803-896-6179.

#### **New President of the National Trust for Historic Preservation**

On Monday June 14, the National Trust for Historic Preservation announced that Stephanie Meeks had been selected President for the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Meeks most recently served as president and CEO of Counterpart International, and spent 18 years at The Nature Conservancy, where she held a number of leadership positions including chief operating officer and acting president and CEO. Upon accepting the position she issued the following statement - "It is with great enthusiasm and respect that I look forward to joining the National Trust for Historic Preservation next month. It is an important organization with an important mission, and I enthusiastically embrace the opportunity to build on the remarkable foundation laid by Richard Moe over the past seventeen years. Holding true to the values of preserving the nation's heritage, I hope to expand upon his work to broaden the reach of the Trust to encompass the protection of consequential places at the heart of all of our communities. At this time in our history, we have an opportunity – and a need – to embrace what makes our individual communities unique and authentic and celebrate and preserve those qualities."

# California SHPO Will Chair Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA, has been appointed by President Obama to be Chair of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Donaldson is the State Historic Preservation Officer for California. From 1978 until his appointment as SHPO in 2004, Donaldson was president of an architectural firm specializing in historic preservation services. He will serve a four-year term as chair. Additional information on Donaldson and on the Advisory Council is available at <a href="https://www.achp.gov">www.achp.gov</a>.

## Conferences/Workshops/Events

National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum, July 28-August 1, 2010 in Grand Rapids, MI. The 2010 Forum will have a unique combination of educational breakout sessions, information sessions, working roundtables, and mobile workshops to provide the best information from commissioners, staff, and other experts working on preservation's front lines around the country. Early registration (\$140) for NAPC members ends July 5<sup>th</sup>. Registration information is online at <a href="https://www.uga.edu/napc/programs/napc/forum.htm">www.uga.edu/napc/programs/napc/forum.htm</a>.

**NEW American Association of State and Local History Annual Meeting**, September 22-25, 2010 in Oklahoma City, OK. The AASLH Annual Meeting is a networking and learning opportunity for history professionals, historical sites, historical societies, history museums, military museums, libraries, presidential sites, students, suppliers, and more. It features over 80 educational sessions and 17 pre-meeting workshops, evening events and tours. For more information go to <a href="http://www.aaslh.org/anmeeting.htm">http://www.aaslh.org/anmeeting.htm</a>.

**Preserving the Historic Road 2010**, September 9-12, 2010 in Washington, DC. The conference features education sessions, special events and field workshops on the best practices, theories and methods for the identification, preservation and management of historic roads. For information go to <a href="http://www.historicroads.org/">http://www.historicroads.org/</a>.

Preservation Planning for Campuses, Complexes and Installations, September 28-29, 2010 in Hampton, VA. This National Preservation Institute seminar focuses on how buildings and landscapes contribute to the institutional identity of campuses, complexes, and installations, and how to integrate historic preservation considerations into the master planning process when faced with development pressures and the need to expand boundaries and reconfigure facilities. AIA/CES credit is available. For more information go to <a href="http://www.npi.org/sem-presplan.html">http://www.npi.org/sem-presplan.html</a>.

**NEW Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians Annual Meeting**, October 13-16, 2010 in Chattanooga, TN. The annual meeting includes paper sessions, walking tours, and awards banquet. More information will be available on the SESAH website <a href="http://www.sesah.org/sesah/SESAH">http://www.sesah.org/sesah/SESAH</a> Home.html.

**NEW International Preservation Trades Workshop, October 21-23, 2010, in Frankfort, KY**. IPTW 2010 provides opportunities for preservation tradespeople, architects, preservation organization staff members, historic property stewards, state and local government employees, preservation students, and homeowners to gain understanding of the preservation trades, and create exchanges between preservation professionals and the public through interactive demonstrations, learning sessions, and one-on-one discussions. For more information go to <a href="http://www.iptw.org/">http://www.iptw.org/</a>.

**National Preservation Conference**, October 27–30, 2010 in Austin, TX. Early bird registration ends July 31. The conference theme is "Next American City, Next American Landscape", and will feature plenary sessions, tours, the national preservation awards, and educational sessions. For more information go to <a href="http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/">http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/</a>.

### **Grant Application Deadlines**

**NEW August 18, 2010:** America's Historical and Cultural Organizations Planning and Implementation Grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities. These grants support projects in the humanities that explore stories, ideas, and beliefs that deepen our understanding of our lives and our world. The projects can be traveling exhibitions presented at multiple venues, long-term exhibitions at one institution, interpretive Web sites or other digital formats, interpretation of historic places or areas, reading and discussion programs, panel exhibitions that travel widely, reach a broad audience, and take advantage of complementary programming formats (e.g., reading and discussion series, radio, or other media) or other project formats that creatively engage audiences in humanities ideas. For more information go to <a href="http://www.neh.gov/grants/grants.html">http://www.neh.gov/grants/grants.html</a>.

**NEW August 18, 2010: Interpreting America's Historic Places Planning and Implementation Grants** from the National Endowment for the Humanities. These grants support public humanities projects that exploit the evocative power of historic places to explore stories, ideas, and beliefs that deepen our understanding of our lives and our world. The projects should interpret a place that played a significant role in American history; enrich the visitor experience at one or more historic places by interpreting these places in light of broader themes in American history; make use of the specific features of one or more historic places—the site, its location, buildings, or other natural or built features—as integral parts of the proposed interpretation; be based on sound humanities scholarship; involve humanities scholars in all phases of development and implementation; approach the subject thematically, analytically, and interpretively through an appropriate variety of perspectives; interest broad audiences; and employ appealing and accessible program formats that will actively engage the public in learning. For more information go to <a href="http://www.neh.gov/grants/grants.html">http://www.neh.gov/grants/grants.html</a>.

**NEW September 15, 2010 Fitch Mid-Career Research Grants:** The James Marston Fitch Charitable Foundation will award Fitch Mid-Career research grants of up to

\$15,000 to mid-career professionals who have an academic background, professional experience, and an established identity in historic preservation or related fields including, architecture, landscape architecture, urban design, environmental planning, architectural history, and the decorative arts. The Foundation will also offer the **Richard L. Blinder Award**, a biennial grant of up to \$15,000 for the best proposal exploring the preservation of an existing structure, complex of buildings or genre of building type through addition, renovation or other means. The subject of the submission may be a real project or a polemical exercise; in either case originality is highly valued. The proposal must demonstrate that it fosters architectural preservation in the United States. To learn more about both grants, go to <a href="www.fitchfoundation.org">www.fitchfoundation.org</a>. Applications must be submitted in PDF format to <a href="mailto:info@fitchfoundation.org">info@fitchfoundation.org</a>.

October 1, 2010 Preservation Services Fund Grants: Administered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, these grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations and public agencies for preservation planning and education efforts. Grant awards range from \$500 to \$5,000. For more information, contact the Southern Office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation at 843-722-8552 or <a href="mailto:soro@nthp.org">soro@nthp.org</a> and the National Trust website at <a href="mailto:http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/">http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/</a>.

Updated information about other grants is available on the Archives and History website at <a href="http://shpo.sc.gov/grants/otherincentives/">http://shpo.sc.gov/grants/otherincentives/</a>.

The Preservation Directory.com also offers a guide to grants and funding sources <a href="http://www.preservationdirectory.com/PreservationGeneralResources/GrantsFundingSources.aspx">http://www.preservationdirectory.com/PreservationGeneralResources/GrantsFundingSources.aspx</a>.

NOTE: If for some reason a link is not working, copy the entire URL and paste it into the address bar of your web browser.

NOTE: Old issues of *Preservation News and Notes* going back to January 2009 are available at http://www.shpo.sc.gov/newsnotes/default.htm.

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